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Military Airlift

TRAVEL UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND MORALE LEAVE PROGRAM FOR DESIGNATED OVERSEA AREAS

This regulation establishes an environmental and morale program whereby eligible personnel stationed at designated oversea bases may be authorized travel on military aircraft under the conditions stipulated herein. This regulation does not affect the provisions of special environmental and morale programs established by separate instructions of the Secretary of Defense, i.e.: Program for Republic of Vietnam, or travel of U.S. military personnel, unaccompanied by dependents, traveling in a leave status.

- 1. DOD Policy. Morale is affected when personnel must perform duties at certain oversea installations where adverse environmental conditions exist. Therefore, DOD military and civilian personnel and their authorized dependents may be afforded space available travel privileges on military aircraft, for leave purposes, from these installations to a more desirable place, at periodic intervals. Provided additional space is available, certain other individuals and their authorized dependents may participate in the program.
- 2. Control of Program. Implementation of this program will be accomplished by regulations issued by unified and specified commanders to insure that administrative controls are effected to permit eligible personnel to participate. At the discretion of the unified and specified commanders concerned, delegation of authority for implementation of this program to a component or other subordinate element is authorized. The program will be in accordance with this regulation.
- a. Normally one trip per year is afforded participants; however, additional trips may be authorized by the local commanders when sufficient space is available.
- b. Dependents may travel only when accompanied by their sponsor.

- c. Sponsor must be in a leave status.
- d. Travel opportunity will be afforded on an equitable basis to officers, enlisted personnel, and civilian employees and accompanying dependents without regard to rank or grade, military or civilian, or branch of service.
- e. Military aircraft will not be scheduled primarily for this program, and the privilege extended by this regulation does not include authority for any additional expenditure of funds or flying hours.
- f. Authorizations for travel issued in connection with this program will contain only one specified place to which travel may be performed. Travel to or via the continental United States (CONUS) is not authorized under this program. (CONUS includes the 48 adjoining States and the District of Columbia.)
- g. Theater or international restrictions will be complied with.
- h. All directives and requirements pertaining to passports, visas, foreign customs, and immunizations will be complied with.
 - Participating individuals will:
- (1) Accomplish DD Form 381, "Air Transportation Agreement," under AFR

persedes AFR 34-48/AR 600-19/OPNAVINST 4630.20/MSO 1700.18, 26 June 1963. (For summary of revised, deleted, or added material, see signature page.)

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- (2) Have sufficient personal funds available to defray cost of return trip to home base via commercial transportation if space available military air transportation cannot be provided.
- (3) Not exceed the maximum baggage allowance of 66 pounds per passenger. Excess baggage will not be accepted.
- 3. Designated Bases. The unified/specified commander will review conditions at bases within his geographical area of responsibility where morale depressants exist due to adverse environment. Bases selected for participation in this program must be limited to those where one or more of the following elements exist:
- a. Extraordinarily difficult living conditions, e.g. geographic isolation, substandard housing, inadequate commercial transportation, and lack of cultural and recreational facilities.
- b. Notably unhealthful conditions, e.g., high incidence of disease and epidemics, lack of public sanitation, and inadequate health control measures.
- c. Excessive physical hardship, e.g., deleterious effects of climate and altitude and dangerous conditions affecting life, physical well-being, or mental health.

Bases that have large populations or are situated near cities which have cultural, social, or recreational facilities normally will not be designated.

- 4. Specified Places. The unified/specified commander will specify places to which travel from the designated bases may be performed. These places should be relatively near the designated bases and in an area where opportunity for space available travel may be afforded.
- 5. Eligible Personnel. Personnel in the following categories may participate in this program under governing instructions published as an implementation of this regulation.
- a. US military personnel without regard to grade and their dependents (for active duty personnel only).

- b. US citizen employees of the Department of Defense and the US military services and their authorized dependents when these employees are eligible for Government transportation to the United States on completion of their tour of duty.
- c. In addition, the following categories of US citizen civilian employees may participate in the program, on an equitable basis, when the senior representative of the agency concurs, and the requirements of this regulation are complied with:
- (1) US citizen employees of other US Federal Government agencies and their authorized dependents stationed at the designated bases.
- (2) Uniformed, full-time, paid personnel of the American Red Cross, on duty with the Armed Forces at the designated base, and their authorized dependents.
- (3) Nonappropriated fund employees who are US citizens recruited from the US and their authorized dependents, on duty with the Armed Forces at the designated

Note: US military personnel and DOD civilian personnel stationed at designated bases, regardless of their command assignment (e.g., attaches/military missions or any other oversea commander who reports directly to the respective service headquarters or a CONUS command) will be governed, with respect to this program, by directives published by the unified/specified commander as an implementation of this regulation, Additionally, when units of one unified/specified command are in the geographical area of or occupy facilities of another unified/ specified command, the directives published by the responsible geographic commander of unified/specified command will govern the program for that area.

- 6. How Travel Will Be Accomplished. Authorization for travel will identify personnel as valid participants in this program. All travel will be on a space available, nonreimbursable basis.
- a. Military air transportation may be furnished in accordance with authority pertaining to this program contained in AFR 76-6/ AR 59-20/OPNAVINST 4630.10A MCO 4630.5, and AFR 76-15/AR 59-12/OPNAV-INST 4630.12B/MCO 4630.7.
- b. Travel under this program need not be restricted to scheduled military air transpor-



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tation. Provided facilities are available and prescribed safety standards and regulations are adhered to, nonscheduled military aircraft may be utilized.

- 7. Responsibilities Assigned. The unified/specified command concerned forwards to HQ USAF (AFSTPLA); MAC (MAOTR); Chief of Naval Operations; Headquarters US Army; and Commandant, US Marine Corps, five copies each of implementing directives, and five copies of any later clarifications, additions, or modifications to such directives.
- 8. Conflicting Instructions. Nothing herein shall contravene space available travel privileges on MAC and other airlift available as authorized by AFR 76-6/AR 59-20/OPNA-VINST 4630.10A/MCO 4630.5 and AFR 76-15/AR 59-12/OPNAVINST 4630.12B/MCO 4630.7.
- 9. JCS Review and Approval. The Joint Chiefs of Staff have reviewed and approved this multi-Service regulation as pertains to responsibilities and authority assigned to the unified and specified commanders.

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This revision lists AFR 76-6/AR 59-20/OPNAVINST 4630.10A/MCO 4630.5, and AFR 76-15/AR 59-12/OPNAVINST 4630.12B/MCO 4630.7 as the current authorizations for military air travel for eligible persons under the environmental and morale leave program (para 6a). It deletes the requirement to the unified and specified commands to implement this regulation within 120 days after receipt, and deletes JANAF message AFCVC 42176, DTG 192117Z Aug 1955 and all amendments thereto, and other directives that pertained to military air travel for purposes of morale leave.

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